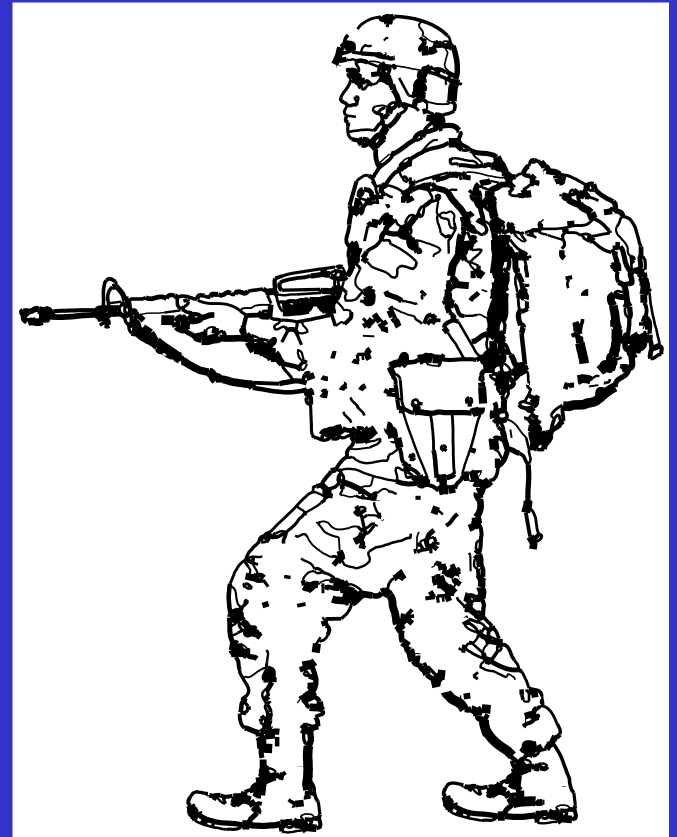


# DEFINITION

A written or  
oral  
communication  
directing  
actions.



# TYPES OF ORDERS

- Administrative
- Combat



# **TYPES OF COMBAT ORDERS**

- **Operations Orders**
- **Service Support Orders**
- **Movement Orders**
- **Warning Orders**
- **Fragmentary Orders**

# **CHARACTERISTICS OF COMBAT ORDERS**

- **Addressing of critical facts & assumptions**
- **Authoritative expressions**
- **Positive expressions**
- **Avoiding of unqualified directives**
- **Balance; simplicity; brevity; clarity**
- **Completeness; coordination**
- **Flexibility**

# **Characteristics of Combat orders, con't**

- **Clear, concise mission & intent statements & essential tasks to subordinates**
- **Centralized planning**
- **Decentralized execution**
- **Use of existing resources**
- **Timeliness**

# **COMBAT ORDERS, THE HEADING**

- **Classification markings**
- **Copy markings**
- **Issuing headquarters**
- **Place of issue (coordinates)**
- **Date-time group of signature**
- **Message reference number**

# COMBAT ORDERS, THE HEADING, CON'T

- **Operation Plan order number**
- **Reference**
- **Time zone**
- **Task organization**

# **OPERATIONS ORDER, PARAGRAPHS**

- 1. Situation**
- 2. Mission**
- 3. Execution**
- 4. Service Support**
- 5. Command and Signal**



# PARAGRAPH 1, Situation

- a. Enemy forces (info two echelons k  
COAs, terrorist assessment).**
- b. Friendly forces (mission, command  
Intent, concept of the operation).**
- C. Attachments/detachments (not id  
in task organization ).**

# PARAGRAPH 2, Mission

- Derived from the commander's mission and intent
- There are **no** sub-paragraphs in a mission Statement. It includes on-order missions It describes:
  - Who
  - What
  - When
  - Where
  - Why

# **PARAGRAPH 3, Execution**

- a.** Concept of the operations (scheme of maneuver, scheme of fires, integration of other major elements).
- b.** Tasks to maneuver units.
- c.** Tasks to combat support units.
- d.** Coordinating instructions.

# **PARAGRAPH 4, Service Support**

- a. Support concept**
- b. Material services**
- C. Medical evacuation & hospitalization**
- d. Personnel support**

# **PARAGRAPH 5**

## **Command and Signal**

- a. Command (CP locations, chain of command if not in unit SOP's).**
- b. Signal (signal instructions not in SOPs, specific SOI edition in effect, reports).**

# **ANNEXES TO ORDERS**

- **Increase clarity**
- **Amplify details**
- **Are sequenced as mandated**

# INFORMATION FLOW RELATIONSHIPS

## Battalion Level

### 1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy
- b. Friendly
- c. Attachments/Detachments

### 2. MISSION

### 3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of the Operations
- b. Tasks to Maneuver Units
- c. Tasks to CS Units
- d. Coordinating Instructions

### 4. SERVICE SUPPORT

### 5. COMMAND & SIGNAL

- a. Command
- b. Signal

## Company Level

### 1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy
- b. Friendly
- c. Attachments/Detachments

### 2. MISSION

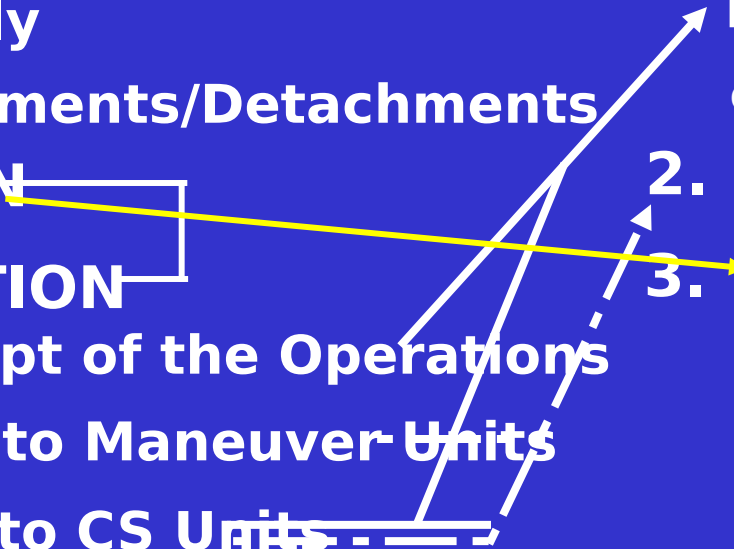
### 3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of the Operations
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### 4. SERVICE SUPPORT

### 5. COMMAND & SIGNAL

- a. Command
- b. Signal

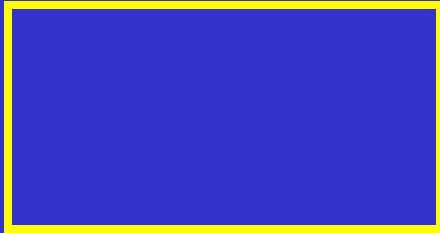


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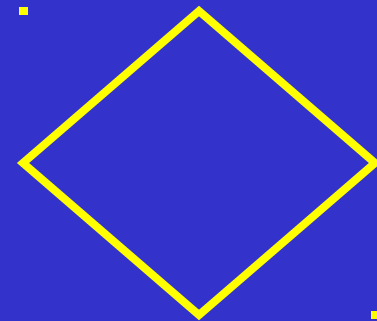
- **Blue-** Friendly Units (Hand-Drawn Symbols Only).
- **Black-** All Friendly Graphic Control Measures.
- **Green-** All Obstacles, Friendly, Enemy, Neutral & Factional. Also Neutral Unit Symbols.
- **Red-** Enemy Symbols and Enemy Graphic Control Measures.



# SURFACE SYMBOLS



**Friendly**

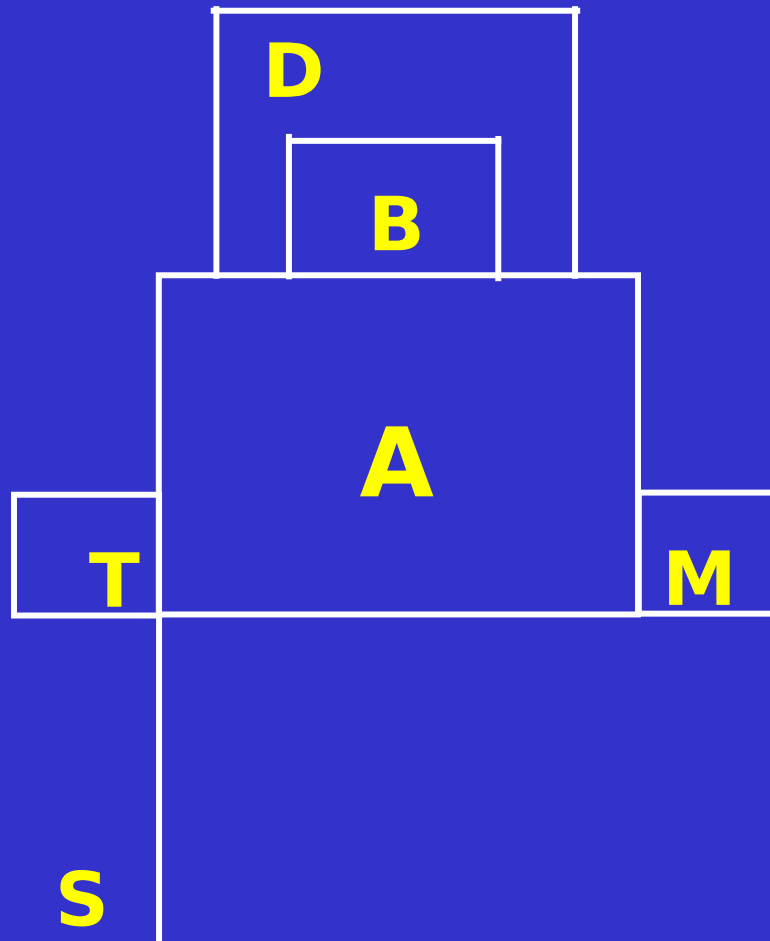


**Enemy**



**Neutral**

# USE OF FIELDS



# UNIT SIZE

## Size Indicator

## Meaning



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**Installation**



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**Team**



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**Squad**



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**Section**



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**Platoon/  
Detachment**

# UNIT SIZE, CON'T

## Size Indicator

## Meaning

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**Company/Battery  
Troop**

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\_\_\_\_\_

**Battalion/Squadron**

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**Regiment/Group**

x

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**Brigade**

x x

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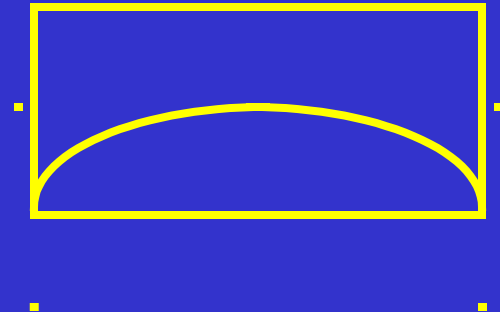
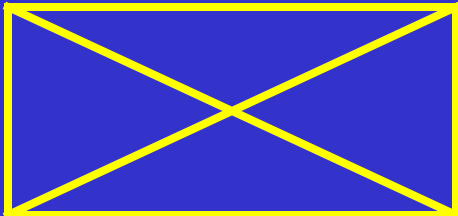
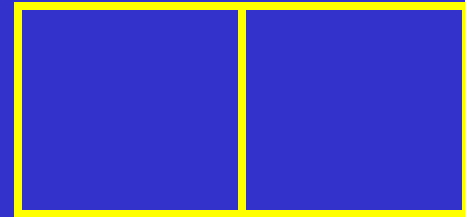
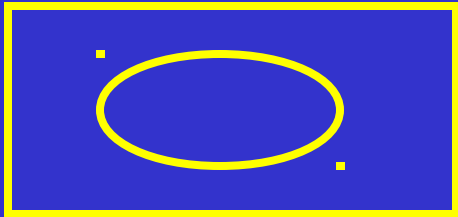
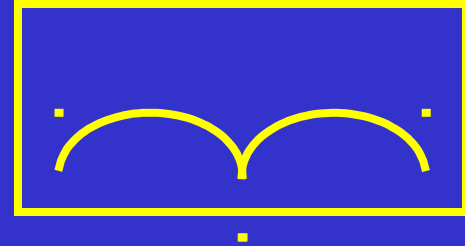
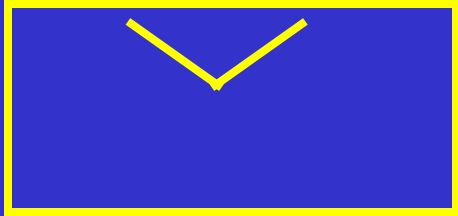
**Division**

x x x

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**Corps**

# UNIT SYMBOL MODIFIER



# OVERLAY PRESENTATION

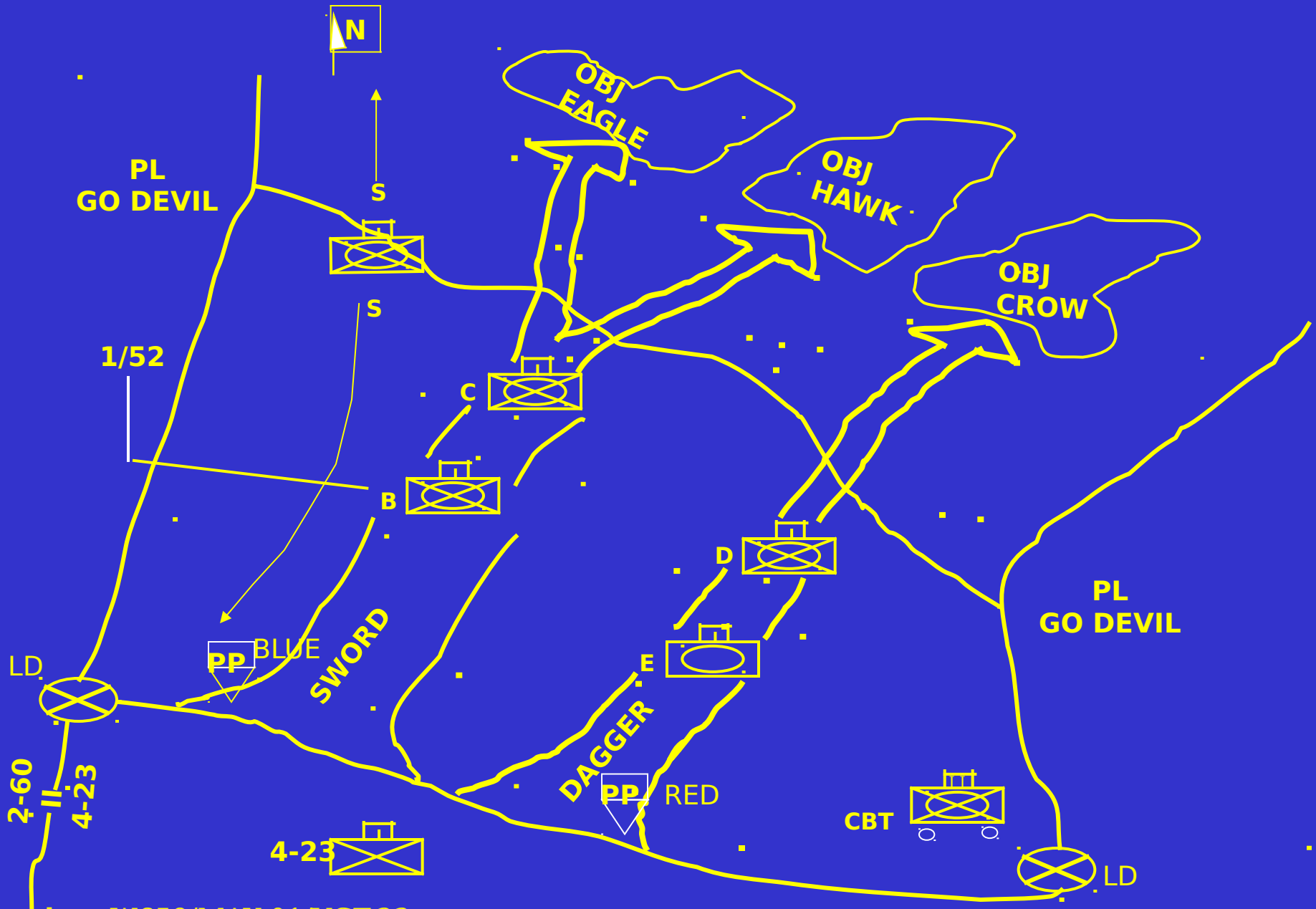
**Step 1: Orienting---grids at opposite ends**

**Step 2: Plotting new detail**

**Step 3: Recording marginal detail**

- Title and objective
- Time and date
- Map reference
- Author
- Legend
- Security
- Classification Information

# BATTLEFIELD ACTIVITIES



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